



This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A package for retaining and displaying a decorative necktie, comprising:
 a necktie;
 a box including a bottom portion and a movable top portion;
 a continuous elastic member affixed ~~into the box~~ to the bottom portion and configured to retain the necktie so as to normally prevent separation of the necktie from the box; and
 the member being mounted to the box at ~~at least two~~ first and second spaced locations within the box.
2. (original) A package according to claim 1, wherein the member is wholly contained interiorly of the box.
3. (original) A package according to claim 1, wherein the member secures the necktie in a rolled or folded position within the box.
4. (Canceled)
5. (original) An improved packaging arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the member has a length between the spaced locations sufficient to receive an unfurled width of the necktie when caustically stretched.
6. (currently amended) A package according to claim 1, wherein ~~the member is mounted along a center line between the at least two spaced locations~~ the first and second spaced locations are on a center line of the box.

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the member having first and second free ends being twistably engagable with one another to retain the necktie against the bottom portion of the box.

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